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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of.

Yamamoto, H. et al.

Serial No. 09/075,375

Filed: May 7, 1998

For: PLANT VDE GENES AND METHODS
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER AND
REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
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Commissioner of Patents
and Trademarks
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is a response to the Office Action Summary mailed February 1, 2000, in the above-identified application.

Applicant hereby petitions for a ONE (1) month extension of time in which to respond to the Office Action Summary Notice in the above-identified application to extend the period of response from May 1, 2000 to June 1, 2000.

The Commissioner is further GENERALLY authorized to charge the extension of time fee, Notice of Appeal fee and any additional fee, with the exception of the Issue Fee, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-4125. 5

Respectfully submitted,

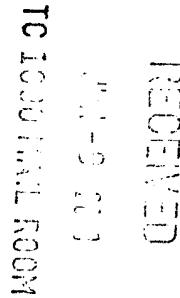
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